## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the McMullen Fairgrounds Improvement Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is McMullen County, located at 501 River Street, P.O. Box 237, Tilden, Texas 78072. The funding would be used for upgrading existing facilities to provide better accommodations for the student participants and their livestock. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the improvements will increase participation at local events and provide much needed safety and security improvements for participants and visitors.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Henry Cuellar, Ph.D.

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U.S. Congressman

28th District of Texas